

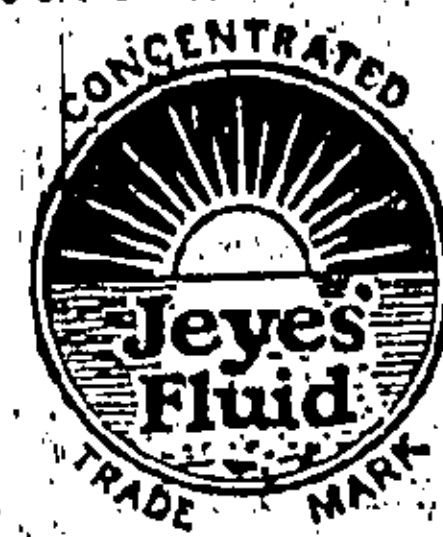
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MEXICO AND BRITAIN.

(Reuter's American Service.)

NEW YORK, June 15.
A message from Mexico City states that the Mexican Foreign Office has made a statement explaining the threatened expulsion of Mr. Cummins. It says that Mr. Cummins was for long a *Persona non grata* with the Mexican Government which alleges he was discourteous and wilfully made incorrect statements to Britain in regard to local incidents.

Mexico twice asked Britain to recall him but Britain supported him.

The statement claims that he is not a diplomat but a private person and declares that Mexico is anxious to renew friendly relations with Britain but it must have acceptable representatives in Mexico, who will observe diplomatic customs.

[A Reuter cable from London, received yesterday states that according to official advices reaching London, Mr. Cummins, British agent in Mexico, is a voluntary prisoner in the British Legation, under threat of deportation when he emerges. His plight is attributed to the frank tenor of his notes forwarded to the British Foreign Office regarding the treatment of Britons in Mexico.]

BATTLESHIP EXPLOSION.

(Reuter's American Service.)

SAN PEDRO, June 15.
A naval court of enquiry aboard the battleship "Mississippi" in regard to the explosion heard the evidence of a sailor who said the air pressure was so weak that he as plugman was obliged to lend the weight of his shoulder to close the breach of the gun. Naval officials point out that insufficient air pressure is quite likely to cause ignition of powder.

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

COPENHAGEN, June 15.
In the Davis Cup doubles, Ulrich and Tegner (Denmark) beat Demopurgo and Colombo (Italy) by 3 sets to 1.

MISSIONARY'S ESCAPE.

MR. CARNE STILL A
CAPTIVE.

OFFICIAL CANTON STATEMENT.

Peking, June 14.—A Consular telegram from Canton reports that the Rev. Rex Ray, the American missionary, escaped from the bandits on June 11. The Rev. R. A. Jaffray, the Britisher, remains in captivity. The news reached Canton from the U. S. S. "Pampana" at Wuchow. Reuter.

The Rev. R. A. Jaffray was released soon after his capture to conduct negotiations for ransom as the bandits were demanding \$200,000 and arms and ammunition. A mistake must have been made by Reuter and the missionary still in captivity must be the Rev. R. H. Carne.

The following official communication has been received from the Canton Government:—

"With reference to the recent piracy at Tai Kwong, Kwangsi, of the American Mission motor boat 'Roanoke' and the capture by bandits of the party of missionaries who were on board a number of missionaries besieged at Kweilin, the Department of Foreign Affairs, Canton, having now received full particulars from the Military authorities in Kwangsi, has issued the following statement summarising the facts relating to the unfortunate venture.

"Upon learning unofficially last month of the intention of some missionaries at Wuchow, to proceed on a relief expedition to the assistance of the missionaries stationed at Kweilin, the Department of Foreign Affairs strongly discouraged the venture. Department officials pointed out in the first place that if the missionaries at Kweilin desired to or could get out, they would have done so of their own accord, whereas if they would not, or could not, the proposed relief party, consisting only of four missionaries from Wuchow, was not likely to serve any useful purpose, since it was in no sense a sufficiently large and properly equipped expedition. Furthermore, it was pointed out that the region all along the Fu river between Wuchow and Kweilin was infested by innumerable bandits.

tending military factions without being under the clear and exclusive jurisdiction or control of any faction. Consequently, without likelihood of rendering any service to their beleaguered brethren at Kweilin, the Wuchow missionaries would merely be exposing themselves to unnecessary danger in such circumstances.

DISREGARDING ADVICE.

Even after the Wuchow missionaries, disregarding the advice of the Department, had embarked on their venture, the voyage would scarcely have turned out so sadly as it has done, if the advice of the military escort, which had been provided for the "Roanoke," had been heeded. The missionaries would not wait for the completion of the arrangements which were being made for their safety and started before the appointed hour, without the full escort. It appears that even when the "Roanoke" party was first held up by the bandits at Tai Kwong, the boat could have turned back without mishap, but the missionaries insisted on parleying with the bandits and decided to land and go off in person to negotiate with the bandit chief. They therefore deliberately and with open eyes walked into the bandit lair and, as was to be expected, were made prisoners.

While the fullest sympathy and regret will be felt at the unfortunate outcome of the "Roanoke" venture, it ought to be stated that had the missionaries acted with less precipitancy and complied with the advice repeatedly tendered, they would at least have avoided complicating the situation in Kwangsi by their courageous but ill-conceived attempt to negotiate with the bandits.

Two of the captured missionaries, Messrs. Jaffray and Miller, have been released by the bandits, and are now back at Wuchow.

Meanwhile, the Military authorities under the instructions of this Government are not relaxing their efforts to secure the release of the remaining two missionaries.

FALSE REPORTS.

TROTSKY DENIES FIERY SPEECH.

STRAITS NOT COVETED.

(Reuter's Service.)

MOSCOW, June 15.
Trotsky in a speech, declared that reports of his alleged speech at Podolsk favouring a Russian invasion of Bessarabia as a step towards the seizure of Constantinople and the Straits are absolutely untrue. On the contrary, he declared that conquest of the Dardanelles Straits was radically opposed by the policy of the Soviet who helped Turkey to regain possession of Constantinople and to proclaim the autonomy of the Nationalists.

FRANCE'S SECURITY.

NEW PREMIER'S PLANS.

ATTITUDE TO GERMANY.

PARIS, June 15.
Press comment on the new Cabinet is favourable especially in regard to the choice of General Nollet as War Minister which, it is opined, shows that M. Herriot is carefully considering the question of France's security.

As stated the Left resolved to seek a basis of understanding with the Democratic elements in the Reich without any concession which might injure the rights of France.

M. Herriot, in an interview by the *Matin* said he would adopt a conciliatory policy towards Germany and make every effort to help that young democracy cut would show pitiless severity as regards German reaction towards nationalism.

BOXER KILLED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

NEW YORK, June 16.
The prominent heavy-weight Bill Brennan was shot dead by men who visited a cabaret of which he was proprietor. Two men have been arrested.

CHARITY FOOTBALL.

FOR DEPENDANTS OF
LATE PETTY OFFICER.

A football match promoted in aid of the dependants of the late Petty Officer Waterhouse of the H.M.S. "Curtis" was played at Sackville between the East Surreys and H.M.S. "Tamar" on Saturday.

The match was well attended and supporters of the Surreys had the satisfaction of seeing their team gain an easy victory of 7 goals to one.

The Surreys opened the scoring after a few narrow squeaks. Woolridge scored the first goal, Charlesworth and Eaton adding another each, within five minutes. Before the interval Humberstone put in a fourth goal for the Surreys.

Play slackened down in the second half, but it did not prevent Macklesworth from further increasing the soldiers' score.

The "Tamar's" lone goal of the match was the result of penalty kick awarded for Boniface's handling. Wilkin's spot kick was successful.

Eaton and Macklesworth scored the remaining two goals before the finish.

BASEBALL LEAGUE.

HONGKONG BEAT CLUB DE
RECREIO.

Playing against a team from the Club de Recreio, the Hongkong Baseball Team scored a narrow victory by one run on Saturday.

The game was exciting throughout and for an early season game was an excellent exhibition, both teams showing up well especially in the fielding line, where few chances were missed.

An enthusiastic crowd witnessed the game and added to the afternoon's enjoyment with choice expressions on the game including the famous "Attaboy." The final score was 8-7, the Recreio Club scoring a run in the seventh and last innings. Hongkong were 8-1 in the fourth, 6-2 in the fifth and 8-6 at the end of their seventh.

Teams were as follows:—
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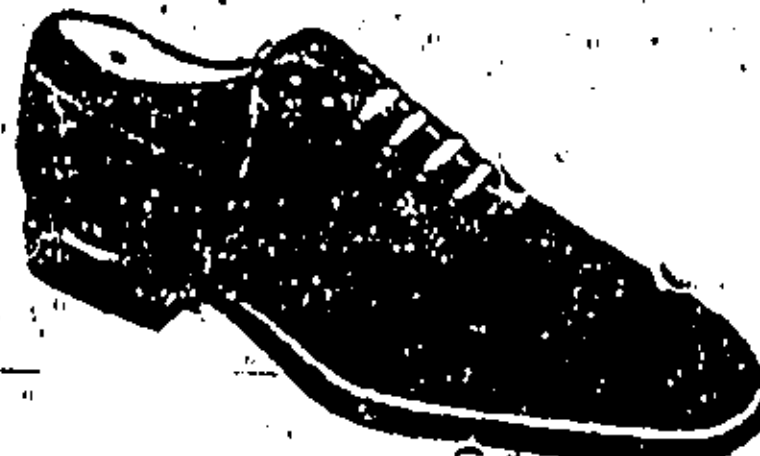
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X-Ray in Industry.

In connection with the delay caused in the world aeroplane flight owing to a faulty casting, it is not generally known that at the Government Research Department at Woolwich important research work is proceeding in the examination of metals by means of radiography. If the faulty aeroplane casting had been examined in this way before it was incorporated in the machine the delay would probably not have occurred. The application of radiography to metals was started at Woolwich during the war, and many difficulties had to be faced, one being that the best commercial apparatus obtainable allowed a penetrability of only half an inch in iron in which a hole of about one-eighth of an inch could be located. Through development of the apparatus by the Woolwich staff, it is now possible to see through nearly four inches of steel, and holes 1-100th of an inch in diameter can be located. The advantages of this method of examining metals are that the inside of a piece of material can be examined without destruction of the specimen, and that in the case of a casting or similar article hidden workmanship may be examined in detail without dismantling or breaking up. Considering the newness of the subject, considerable development has already occurred, but one of the chief results of the research work carried out at Woolwich has been to indicate the lines on which future development must proceed.—*The Scotsman.*

Making Print Talk.

The blind may yet "hear" the printed page by means of a recently patented German device for making printers' ink and other pigments conduct electricity. This might seem a comparatively simple matter. One need only pulverise a conducting metal, and mix the powder with a suitable binder. But the lack of close contact between the particles of the metal obstructs the flow of the current, and this obstruction is increased by the oxidation of the surface of each particle. Even if the current succeeds in overcoming the resistance, the conductor is unduly heated—a fatal fault in the case of a point. Since there are various reasons why it is desirable for industrial purposes to have a point that will conduct electricity without melting, the problem has engaged the attention of many investigators. It has recently been solved in Germany and patented by the firm of Mertens, who plan to use it, particularly in the printing industry. An important feature of the process is that, by modifying it, paints and inks can be prepared which conduct electricity in varying degrees. As most people know, variation in conductivity is the basic principle underlying the telephone. It is proposed, therefore, to prepare strips of paper printed in symbols corresponding, for example, to the Morse dot-and-dash system. Such printed strips can then be used, by means of simple electrical apparatus, to make and break contacts so as to sound a bell or a buzzer, so that a blind person familiar with telegraphy could literally hear the printers' ink talking to him.—*The Literary Digest.*

Telescope Marvel.

One of the world's wonder telescopes, which took seven years to make, and stands higher than six men, is now being tested and assembled at the works of Sir Howard Grubb & Sons, St. Albans, where the final details are added before its shipment in three months' time to the Simcik Observatory in Russia. The telescope is worth £15,000. It contains a mirror 40 inches wide, 8½ inches thick, and weighing nearly 1000 lb., which took more than a year of continual grinding and polishing to make. This piece of glass alone cost the Russian Government £1000. The principal eyepiece is not at the lower end of the barrel near the ground, but just out at the mouth of the telescope. The observer is hauled up from the floor some 30 feet below in a steel chair, and dangling like a spider from a gigantic pencil, follows the stars in their courses. The movements of the instrument are controlled by a clock, set so that the star under observation will be kept in sight as it moves across the heavens. Thus, as the astronomer hangs in mid-air, he is carried in

an are inside the dome, which also moves round as the telescope is operated. Many astronomical telescopes are made, for vision alone, but this one is constructed so that photographs may be taken of the stars it mirrors while the astronomer is observing them through the eyepiece on the end.—*Daily Express.*

The Supernormal.

Mrs. E—M—and I once stayed at the same house together, and our talk turning one day to occult matters, she mentioned a friend of hers who used to communicate with the spirits of two children she had lost, writes Mary L. Lewis in *The Queen's Side of Things*. This lady was once staying at an hotel in a Belgian city, and one night, just as she was about to extinguish her bedside candle, her children "spoke" to her, and told her not to blow it out. They said she need not be afraid to go to sleep with the candle burning, as she would be protected, but she would be very sorry afterwards if she did not follow their advice. So she left the light burning and went to sleep. Next morning she heard that thieves had been round the hotel in the night and robbed many guests of money and jewellery, but evidently seeing a light in her room they had been afraid to enter and passed her by. There was an oddity of prosaic flavour about this story which seemed to me to emphasise its truth. The next incident was related to a friend of mine by the organist of an old City church in London. He said that he was playing the organ at a choir-practice one day, when he saw a little old lady dressed "in an old-fashioned way" come down the aisle and stand in the choir quite near the organ, which she seemed to enjoy. As she stayed there for some time, he stopped playing and, turning to the chorister, told him to show the lady to a seat. But at that she moved gently away, and quite suddenly—vanished! All present saw her plainly, and noticed her curious disappearance.

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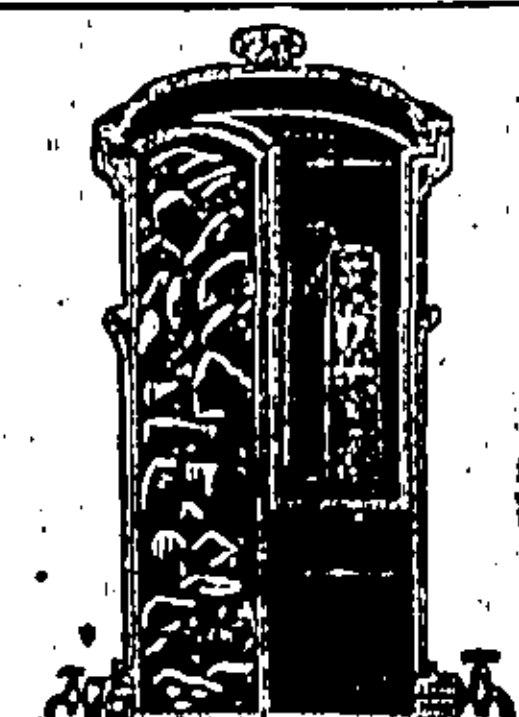
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3.—That such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the member is entitled and limiting a time within which the offer, if not accepted by the member on behalf of himself or his nominee, will be deemed to be declined and that the Company's Board of Directors be at liberty to fix such time and (in case of shareholders whose place of address is not in Hongkong) to extend it to such date or dates as they may think fit.

4.—That no shareholder shall be entitled to any offer of a fraction of an additional share in respect of any odd share or shares held by such shareholder.

5.—That until such time as the said new shares shall be fully paid up they shall vis-a-vis the said 90,000 old shares only rank for dividend in proportion to the ratio borne by the amount paid up thereon in respect of the nominal value thereof to the full nominal value (\$10) thereof.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a further EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, aforesaid, on MONDAY, the seventh day of July, 1924, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as Special Resolutions the above mentioned resolutions.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, the 28th day of June, 1924, to Monday, the 7th day of July, 1924, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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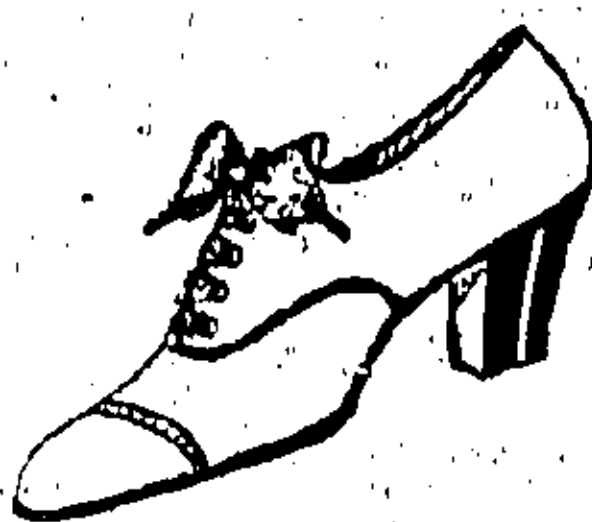
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GHOULISH TRAFFIC.

SALE OF BONES FROM FRENCH BATTLEFIELDS.

The still undisturbed battlefields of Verdun and the Meuse furnish a profitable livelihood to ghouls who take bones from the shell-churned soil and find a market for them. They declare that it is only the bones of animals that they collect and sell, but there is an uneasy feeling among the people who dwell in the vicinity of the battlefields that these modern "Thanatopoles" are not too scrupulous in distinguishing between bones that are animal and those that are human.

The work of searching for the unburied dead on the battlefields of Eastern France has not yet been done with the systematic thoroughness with which it has long since been completed on the British front in Northern France and Flanders. It is, indeed, still being carried on, but with an inadequate number of searchers, and in what seems to the casual visitor a somewhat perfunctory manner. To this, an English visitor to France can testify from his own experience. During the Easter holiday he went to stay with a French friend who resides in the Varennes, and together they wandered over the outskirts of what was once the Argonne Forest, but is now desolate, hilly country, covered with low growth, bursting into fresh springtime green springing from the blackened stumps of shell-shattered trees.

HASTILY BURIED. Here, in the dusty chalky soil, human finger-bones can be gathered by the handful, and the remains of soldiers hastily buried on the battlefields and since unearthed by wild boars foraging for food can still be found.

They themselves in their wanderings came across an arm snapped off short above the wrist sticking out of the ground. Turning over the loose dry soil they unearthed the body of a French soldier. Remnants of his dark blue tunic still clung to what remained of his body, and a cloth to all that was left of his lower limbs, a clear indication that he fell in the early days of the war before the French Army was put into "sky blue."

The inhabitants of the district demand that this horrible traffic shall be brought to an end, but that can only be effectively done by Act of Parliament, and the Chamber of Deputies will not reassemble until June—after the general election. The Prefect of the Meuse has, however, taken the only provisional measure that is in his power to repress the scandal. He has issued a decree forbidding a practice which, he declares, is particularly odious both from the point of view of public order and respect for the memory of the brave soldiers who fell on the field of battle.

AMERICAN "ENGLISH."

EVOLUTION OF A NEW LANGUAGE.

The American language is rapidly becoming distinct English in that idioms and phrases are constantly used which are not known in the country from which it claims its origin. This is not the case merely with slang, but in ordinary conversation.

Americans like variety of language, and a well-formed habit with them is the coming of words. These are used in season and out of season until they become part of the language, and are considered "good English."

For instance, being physically run down, one will "watercane" until one feels fit again. Expressed differently, one will "watercane" oneself into better shape. This is because Walter Camp gave the public a set of physical training exercises, known as Camp's Daily Dozen, which "took" on and spread like measles.

"TO FLETCHERISE." Americans "fletcherise" their food. In due time "fletcherise" will become a legitimate dictionary word, meaning "to masticate thoroughly"—because one Charles Fletcher taught the value of chewing food.

To "oslerise" a person, or thing, is to retire it from active use, by fair means or foul. This new word sprang into being when a certain Dr. Osler was misquoted in his intention to convey the idea that men over 60 years of age should retire in favour of younger men.

An American "burbanks" a bad situation, or an adverse condition, meaning that he makes something worth while out of nothing, or worse than nothing. This, because Luther Burbank has been able to take any old weed such as the desert cactus, and make it valuable—in this instance, edible. Thus he "burbanked" it, as he did in innumerable other instances; at the same time giving Americans a new word.

The American permits himself to use his language more for its usefulness than for its purity. His spoken word, more often than not, takes the short cut. Of the slogans Theodore Roosevelt's "big stick," and "gun-shoeing" (through a situation) are good examples.

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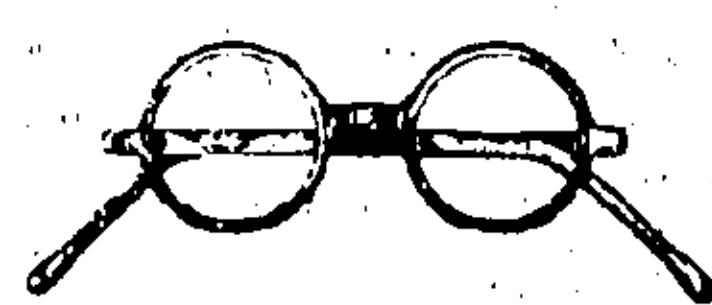
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DEATH.

LEACH.—On June 10, 1924, at
Shanghai, Alfred (Ginger)
Leach, aged 63 years.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JUNE 16, 1924.

HONOUR FOR HONGKONG.

Naturally Hongkong's medical men will be elated at the choice of the Colony as the venue of the Joint Conference on Medical Science by the Hongkong and China Branch of the British Medical Association and the China Medical Missionary Association—elated because the Conference will not only bring them into close contact with their fellow workers out here, but will also put them in direct personal touch with the world's leading authorities on surgery, tropical diseases, public health and other kindred matters. Others besides the medical men, however,

will, feel gratified at the honour bestowed upon the Colony. Indeed, everyone whose interests are not confined to the sordid pursuit of the dollar will take pride in the fact that Hongkong is to entertain so many eminent men, unselfish workers, who have not only done vast good for the race already, but who hope to accomplish even greater triumphs yet. Perhaps it is only fitting, though, that the Colony should have been selected as the venue of the Conference. Apart from the fact that it is remarkably healthy for its latitude solely through the untiring efforts of our medical men and health officers, Hongkong is already a notable name in Medical Science, for it was here during the great plague epidemic of 1894 that the Japanese medical man, Dr. Kitasato, discovered the plague germ. This discovery ranks among the greatest yet made, and although the honour fell to a worker from another nation, the Colony can still feel proud that the actual discovery was made here. After all, what does it

matter who achieves the good, so that the good is indeed achieved. Genius, as a distinguished British philosopher has said, knows no frontiers, and humanity can take a common pride in the great discoveries which are a heritage for all time. Therefore it is specially gratifying that medical men will come from all parts of the world to attend the Conference and that among these will be many from the vast field of China itself. Hongkong already ranks, from the education standpoint, as a light-house in the Far East. After the medical conference it will deserve the same name for health work.

Commendable Enterprise.

In a short while there will be running between Hongkong and Canton, the river steamer "Tung On," which was launched at the Taikoo Dockyard last week. The vessel is the first river boat to be fitted with wireless and its owners are to be commended for their foresight because the day cannot be far ahead when all river steamers will carry wireless. Presumably the main object of the wireless is to prevent piracy. If, as insisted upon by members of the Mercantile Marine, wireless in a defensible vessel can be relied upon to frustrate the efforts of pirate gangs who disguise themselves as passengers, there should be no difficulty in dispensing with the services of the ships' guards to whom exception has been taken. But even with wireless it appears that the Naval patrol boats, which have already rendered signal service in the Canton River estuary, would still be required to accord that protection which must be forthcoming when an S.O.S. or piracy message is broadcast. Considerable satisfaction has been expressed at the non-recurrence, within recent months, of the attacks on regular lines plying out of Hongkong with passengers. From this it is to be inferred that the measures to cope with the evil are having distinctly good results and it is to be hoped that with the advent of wireless the pirate pests will be entirely eradicated.

Social Reforms.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the British ex-Premier and Conservative Leader in the House of Commons, is clearly bent on making social welfare work a prominent feature of the Party programme. His speech at the City Carlton Club was in terms suggestive of Disraeli's Tory Democracy. There would, he said, be neither peace nor prosperity in Great Britain until the masses were working and earning good wages and living under better conditions. As a matter of fact the Conservative Party in England has been responsible for more social reforms in the past than have the Liberals, whose leanings have always been towards the laissez faire doctrine. There is nothing, therefore, surprising in the fact that the Conservative leader should commit his party to reforms making for the betterment of the social conditions of the workers. The Coalition Government under Mr. Lloyd George's leadership—a Government which was mainly composed of Conservatives, did more to solve the housing problem than any one of its predecessors, though yet a vast deal remains to be done. Up to the middle of March last year the total cost to the Treasury in the way of subsidies for new houses was £20,200,000. Of this sum £9,500,000 went in subsidies to private builders and £10,700,000 in annual subsidies to local authorities, while £9,000,000 per annum is estimated to be the annual charge under the housing scheme now operating. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's Government is not likely greatly to improve on this programme.

China's beauty is not as clearly defined as the beauty of Japan. "Her beauties," writes Pearl Buck in the Forum, "are those of old things, old places, carefully fashioned with the loftiest thought and artistic endeavour of generations of aristocrats.... Behind this high wall, which looms so gray and forbidding upon the street, one may step, if one has the proper key, into a gracious courtyard, paved with great square tiles, worn away by the feet of a hundred centuries. There is a garden, a tree, a pool of gold fish, a carved stone seat whereon is seated a white-haired grandfather, smiling

ed and calm as an old Buddha in his gown of cream-coloured silk. If you are his friend, he will rise with deep bows and escort you with a most perfect courtesy into the guest hall. There in a high chair of carved teak you may sip his famous tea and marvel at the old paintings hung in silken scrolls upon the walls, and meditate upon the hand-wrought beams of the ceiling, thirty feet above. Beauty, beauty everywhere, stately and reserved with age."

Rather, a clever thing "EAT" was perpetrated by an American paper which said: "It cannot be denied that the Irish are an English-plucking people." The subtlety of the motif lies in the fact that Sinn Fein furiously repudiates the use of the English language.

An illegible handwriting occasionally leads to complications. We heard the other day of a certain New York publisher who was well known for his tendency to "rage and shout," and for his writing which was absolute "scrawl." A percentage of the weekly paper envelopes always contained slips of paper scribbled by the great man personally informing the recipient that his services were no longer required. A discharged "employee" once made capital from one of these pieces of paper in the following manner: He presented it at the publisher's tailor, saying it was an order from his employer to make the bearer a suit of clothes. Not a single person at the tailoring establishment could read the weird-looking lines; but knowing from past experience the awful results of displeasing their customer, they decided to make the suit of clothes. When the usual quarterly bill was presented, the poor deceived tailor was fear-stricken to see the publisher come flying into their shop loudly demanding an explanation to a certain item on his bill. He was told that an "employee" had presented a written order. The document was taken off the file and handed for examination. "Well," said the publisher, after puzzling over the paper for some minutes, "I suppose I gave him this order, but I don't remember it."

A young stenographer named Cassidy was hit by a bullet during a disturbance in Ireland. He thought he was mortally wounded and motioned to a friend, "Give my love to Kathleen," he said, weakly. "Tell her my last thoughts were of her. Carbon copies to Nora, Peggy, and Maureen."

To-day's Poem.

(Written on the eve of his execution.)
Even such is time, that takes in trust,
Our youth, our joys, and all we have,
And pays us but in earth and dust;
Who in the dark and silent grave,
When we have wandered all our ways,
Shuts up the story of our days;
But from this earth, this grave,
this dust,
My God shall raise me up, I trust.
—Sir Walter Raleigh.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

JUNE 16.

1793. I am sitting by the fire; and since I do not expect warm weather in June, I am wishing for rain, or I shall at least have a mouthful of hay, or a noseful of roses.
—Walpole.

QUIXOTISM OR UTOPIANISM.

Quixotism, or Utopianism; that is another of the Devil's pet words. I believe, the quiet admission which we are all of us so ready to make, that, because things have long been wrong, it is impossible they should ever be right, is one of the most fatal sources of misery and crime from which this world suffers. Whenever you hear a man disavowing you from attempting to do well, on the ground that perfection is "Utopian," beware of that man. Cast the word out of your dictionary altogether.
—John Ruskin.

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This is rheumatism of the muscles of the back. It comes on suddenly and is very painful. Every movement aggravates the disease. Go to bed, keep quiet and apply Chamberlain's Pain Balm and a quick recovery may be expected. Sold every where.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
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ENTERTAINMENTS.

June 16.—Coronet Theatre: "The Silent Voice."
June 16.—The Star Theatre: Mary Pickford in "Suds"; also Buster Keaton in "Neighbours."
June 16.—World Theatre: Gladys Walton in "The Nearest Lady."
June 16.—Queen's Theatre: "Imperial Violets" also Holt and Sawyer in their Songs, Solo Dance, Burlesque and Duets.

June 17.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Rooms, gold and silver watches, 11 a.m.

June 19.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Rooms, household furniture, 11 a.m.

June 20.—Lammert Bros., at "Kellet Lodge," 184, The Peak, household furniture, etc., 2.45 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

June 21.—Extraordinary general meeting of A. S. Watson Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel, 11.30 a.m.

July 7.—Further extraordinary meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, 11.30 a.m.

September 16.—Extraordinary general meeting of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the Registered Office of the Company, Pedder Street, noon.

October 3.—Second meeting of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office, Pedder Street, noon.

October 20.—Third meeting of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office, Pedder Street, noon.

CITY ROBBERY.

AMAH WAKES UP TO FIND
BOY IN ROOM.

Awakened by a noise at 4 a.m. this morning, an amah employed at 2B Queen's Road raised an alarm. A Chinese youth whom she saw in her room made an attempt to escape.

The burglar was arrested three doors away with \$50 worth of jewellery and valuables on him.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One case of enteric fever, Japanese, was notified yesterday.

A new buoying system to ensure more safety in typhoons will shortly be inaugurated. It is the outcome of the Marine Court Enquiry held on the sinking of the s.s. "Loongang." Seventeen special new moorings will replace the same number of buoys in the Harbour.

According to a Renter cable received yesterday, the son of the Swarajist leader Das is the latest arrested in connection with the passive resistance campaign. The Satyagraha reformers have been carrying on for a month past in connection with the disputed control of the famous Hindu temple at Arakeswar.

Canton telegrams to the Shanghai Chinese press (via Peking), are to the effect that his associates have urged Dr. Sun Yat-sen to take a complete rest and to retire from public life. They propose to establish an Administrative Council, of which Gen. Chen Chiung-ming (who is still said to be Dr. Sun's bitter enemy), Tan Yen-kai (former Governor of Hunan, who is chief secretary in Dr. Sun's Generalissimo's cabinet), and the Commander of the Yunnanese troops in Kwantung, Yang Hsi-min, will be chief members. Gens. Hu Han-min and Hsu Tsung-chih (Dr. Sun's lieutenants) oppose peace with Gen. Chen, and the latter has also announced his willingness to negotiate peace with Dr. Sun's party provided that Gens. Hu and Hsu are dismissed from office forthwith.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Among the passengers who left Shanghai for Home in the P. & O. S. "Kashgar" were Miss L. E. Berry, Sub-Lts. C. S. Booth and R. S. Brown, Mr. D. H. Fookes, Mrs. N. Leslie and child, Sub-Lt. E. K. Le Mesurier, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Revell, and Miss A. G. Wilson.

According to a Daily Bulletin cable from Yokohama, Miss Catherine Dalton, Matron of the Yokohama Hospital at the time of the earthquake, and Miss Norah Little, assistant nurse, were invested at the British Consulate on Saturday with the Order of the British Empire for their heroic efforts and self-sacrificing work for the sufferers.

ARRIVING TO-MORROW.

INDO-CHINA GOVERNOR'S
VISIT.

WHY HE WENT TO JAPAN.

Hongkong is to receive a visit from M. Merlin, the Governor General of Indo-China. He is returning from Japan, with his wife, Madame Merlin, M. Chatelet, his Chief of Staff, M. Jeanbrau, Director of Political Affairs in Indo-China, and his A.D.C., Capt. Bernard. They arrive here by the "Hakone Maru" which is due at daybreak to-morrow. At 9.45 M. Merlin and party will be brought ashore on the "Victoria," and will be received at Blake Pier by His Excellency the Governor (who will be attended by his Private Secretary), Commodore Grace, the Hon. Colonial Secretary and Lady Severn and the Officer Commanding the troops. A salute will be fired in M. Merlin's honour and a Guard of Honour will be inspected. M. and Mme. Merlin will then proceed to Government House. M. Merlin will in all probability remain in the colony until Thursday morning and will be conducted over the chief places of interest.

Accompanying M. Merlin in Japan were the Presidents of the three principal Chambers of Commerce in Indo-China—those of Saigon, Haiphong and Hanoi—and they were afforded opportunities of getting into touch with commercial men of similar standing in Japan. The Governor-General himself, it was emphasised, had no other official Mission than to present to the Prince Regent and Crown Princess congratulations upon the occasion of their wedding and also to bring to Japan a new message of France's and Indo-China's sympathy with the country for her losses in the recent earthquake.

A North-China Daily News representative had an interesting chat with the distinguished gentleman at the French Consulate during which M. Merlin emphatically denied that his visit to Japan was made from political motives. He stated that he went to Japan principally to investigate the possibilities of developing trade and commerce between Japan and Indo-China.

"My little tour throughout the East," he remarked with a twinkle in his eye, "has served to show people that such a place as Indo-China does exist. There are many who do not seem to realize it, or who know that we have such big towns as Saigon, Haiphong and Hanoi, and the possibilities Indo-China holds out for trade are not generally grasped. In Indo-China we have some 40,000,000 people and the trade that can be done between that Colony and other parts of China is immense."

TRADE ENVOYS.

Brought back to his visit to Japan, M. Merlin again refuted the suggestion that his visit to that country had any political significance. He remarked that he had with him three gentlemen, respectively the chairmen of the Chambers of Hanoi, Haiphong and Saigon, who were much interested in all they saw that appertained to industrial conditions in Japan, and they were all optimistic regarding the possibilities for trade that did exist between the French Colony and that country.

M. Merlin went on to say that other important reasons for his visit were to convey the congratulations of Indo-China to the Prince Regent and the Crown Princess of Japan on their recent betrothal, and to renew the sympathies expressed by France and Indo-China to the Japanese in the trials their country had undergone as a result of the Tokyo earthquake.

"But chiefly," repeated M. Merlin, "we wanted to study labour conditions in Japan, and I myself had a sincere desire to form some personal views and ideas on the future of her commercial prospects and possibilities."

Questioned as to what were his opinions of the result of his efforts, the Governor-General replied with a repetition of his former statement: "I know, now, more clearly what are the possibilities of commercial relations between Japan and the French colony of Indo-China for the future."

M. Merlin reiterated the hope that his tour had done something towards letting people know that such a place as Indo-China existed. He remarked that he had been most enthusiastically received wherever he had gone, and he was grateful for all the kindness that had been shown him.

M. MERLIN IN SHANGHAI.
M. Merlin is residing at the house of the French Chief of

MOULDERS' DEMANDS.

NO APPLICATION TILL
TO-DAY.

EUROPEAN FIRMS NOT
INVOLVED.

POSITION EXPLAINED.

This morning's *Tsun Wan Yat Po* publishes a letter from the Hongkong Moulders' Guild denying the report that its members have demanded an increase of 60 per cent. in their wages and that local employers were given till yesterday (June 15) to reply. Here our vernacular contemporary explains that its article was translated from "a Western paper."

Further the letter states that for months the members have planned to ask for higher remuneration and that their efforts are just beginning to bear fruit. They are of the opinion that local rates are low and living is high. But no step has yet been taken. It is proposed that in a few days the Secretary for Chinese Affairs be notified, after which applications will be addressed to employers. The letter also emphasises the fact that the projected move only concerns the moulders and no other branch of the engineering industry.

When a *China Mail* man called at the office of the Chinese Engineers' Institute this morning, the secretary courteously supplied full details. As far as he knew no request to the masters had been made yet but he thought an application would be sent to Chinese employers—who employed less than half of the 800 or 900 moulders (including apprentices) all told—in the course of the day. Nothing had yet been decided in regard to non-Chinese establishments.

By way of explanation, the secretary volunteered the information that there were ten workmen's branches of the engineering trade, of which the moulders formed one. Each branch had its own guild but only that of the moulders was concerned for the present. However, he understood that the other nine branches were in sympathy with the moulders although they were not prepared to act simultaneously.

Only four of the branches were incorporated in the Chinese Engineers' Institute which is considered the parent organisation but is not concerned with the present agitation.

From enquiries in the European establishments it was ascertained that no application for an increase had been made to them.

Police, Captain Flori, who is out of town at present.

On his arrival from Peking on Tuesday night M. Merlin was escorted to this house, which is in the French Concession, by mounted Sikh Police, and this morning he paid his respects to the Chinese authorities at the Bureau of Foreign Affairs, and was received with every courtesy and manifestations of friendship. In the afternoon he received the Chinese authorities at his temporary house. Yesterday evening the Governor-General of Indo-China was the principal guest at a reception given M. Wilden, the French Consul-General, at the Consulate, and which was attended by the most distinguished members of the Shanghai's French community, including M. Le Bris, President of the French Municipal Council, M. Pano, a member of the French Council, M. Bodelongue, Manager of the Banque Industrielle, M. Denay, Manager of the Banque d'Indo-chine, Commander de Maubeuge, of the French warship Jules Ferry, Commander D'Arville, Chief of the Staff to the French Admiral, and many others.

As M. Merlin entered the Consulate grounds he was met and saluted by a detachment of Annamite Police, and the band from the Jules Ferry struck up the "Marseillaise" as he entered the Consulate itself.

M. Wilden made a short speech, welcoming M. Merlin to Shanghai and congratulating him on the success of his mission to Japan, which they all felt convinced was for the good of France generally and Indo-China in particular. M. Merlin was added the Consul-General, one of France's most distinguished colonial governors, and had, in fact been governor of practically every colony France had. They appreciated his services to their country and were proud to have him in their midst.

M. Merlin, in reply, thanked M. Wilden for the kindness of his remarks, and the French public in Shanghai for the kindness of their reception of him. He sincerely hoped that the relations existing between France, Indo-China and the rest of China would always be of the best.

PIRATE ATTACK SEQUEL.

AWARDS TO CAPTAIN & CHIEF OFFICER.

Government's Generous Decision.

When the Government recently promised to make grants for ships masters and officers killed or wounded during pirate attacks, provided the regulations were faithfully carried out, the question was raised whether this measure was intended to be retrospective. Inquiries by the *China Mail* at the time elicited the reply that the Government would be prepared to hear any claims that might be made, and now to-day comes news definitely confirming the impression that the measure was intended to be retrospective provided always that the anti-piracy regulations had been carried out. The news is contained in the following letter, dated June 13, which Mr. T. T. Laurensen, Assistant Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild, has received from the Colonial Secretary:—

Sir.—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th of May, 1924, and to state that His Excellency the Governor-in-Council has decided that ex gratia payments of \$1,000 each should be made from Government funds to Capt. MacKechnie and Chief Officer Robb in respect of wounds incurred on the occasion of the piracy of the s.s. "Sanning" on the night of 23rd October, 1923. The Harbour Master is being asked to communicate with these two officers with regard to the matter.

"This will have a very great moral effect," said Mr. Laurensen, speaking to a *China Mail* man this morning, "and we all very much appreciate it. The Government's generous action in making grants for events which occurred before the measure was introduced. These two grants, we believe, have been made largely through the good offices of the Harbour Master and to him we should like to express our warmest gratitude."

The s.s. "Sanning," owned by Shui Hing Company, 10, Bonham Street, was looted by pirates off Castle Peak, the booty being estimated at \$30,000. The entire ship's armory was also carried off.

Captain MacKechnie and the Chief Officer, Mr. Robb, were both badly wounded and had to be taken to hospital. The "Sanning" left Hongkong on Tuesday, at 6.30 p.m., with 300 passengers on board, bound for Kowloon. About two hours after departure, when near Castle Peak, about 60 of the passengers suddenly rose, and firing revolvers, took charge of the ship. Shots were first fired on the steeage deck. Shortly afterwards an uproar took place in the engine room where several of the pirates overpowered the engine room staff. Almost simultaneously pirates appeared on the bridge deck and in various parts of the vessel. There were three Indian guards on board, and for a few minutes they prevented access being made to the wheelhouse. After a sharp but short battle, one of the guards was shot in the left cheek and the other two were overpowered and their arms removed. The pirates made a systematic search of the whole vessel, taking away everything of value which could be removed. The greatest haul of money was perhaps made in the commodore's room where from a safe a sum of \$1,000 to \$2,000 was stolen, the amount including deposits temporarily kept in the office on behalf of passengers. The "Sanning" carried a full complement of passengers, including a party believed to be Chinese officials, who received marked attention. When the attack was made, Captain MacKechnie had just handed over charge to the Chief Officer, Mr. Robb, and had gone aft when he was wounded in the right shoulder. After this he received another shot in the right cheek. He was taken down to the commodore's office by five or six of the pirates. After the pirates left, the Chief Officer was found to be wounded in three places.

LEGAL HONOUR.

A BREEZE AT FULL COURT.

INTERPRETATION OF RENTS ORDINANCE.

There was a bit of a breeze in the Supreme Full Court this morning on the question of legal etiquette.

In a Court Appeal case Mr. C. G. Alabaster K. C., made two points in his address of appeal of which he had not given notice to the Court or to the opposing barrister, Mr. Eldon Potter, K. C.

Mr. Potter objected to the points being taken. The second, he claimed, was a "dreadful one" and apart from this if such points were to be taken without notice it was going to the root of the good faith on which these cases were fought. If Mr. Alabaster was allowed to make his points it would mean an end to such agreements.

The acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Gompertz, who, supported by Mr. A. Dyer Ball, Acting Puisne Judge, presided over the court, said that they would give their decision on this point later. In the meantime Mr. Alabaster would have to confine himself to points of which notice had been given.

The appeal before the Full Court was from a judgment delivered by Mr. Justice Gompertz in May in which judgment was found in favour of the owners (Messrs. Yeung Chik-fook and Ho Shing-ki) who sought to obtain possession of eleven flats in First Street. In brief the grounds for appeal as given by Mr. Alabaster were—

(1) That Justice Gompertz was wrong in holding that the three months' notice to quit expired at any time.

(2) That the notice did not give exact particulars of the intended reconstruction.

(3) That the Ordinance of 1924, which refers to the date of a judgment or order, applied to expired notices, whereas the writ had not been issued until after the date of the Ordinance.

Elaborating the first point Mr. Alabaster claimed that the notice to quit was ineffectual because it did not expire with the current month of the respective tenancy and under the Rents Ordinance a contractual tenancy could only be so terminated.

"Before any powers can be exercised to vary the contract between landlord and tenant the existing contractual relationship must be put an end to," said Mr. Alabaster. "To put an end to a contractual relationship notice to quit must always be given even if it is only for an increase of rent and though the landlord may be most anxious to keep his tenant, I submit that the contractual rights of a weekly or monthly tenant are as absolute as those of a quarterly or half yearly tenant."

A "DREADFUL POINT." It was on the second point (which Mr. Alabaster sub-divided into two) that the breeze already referred to took place. Mr. Alabaster said that as the Court was not like an ordinary court of interim jurisdiction appeal but was, under the Rents Ordinance, a Court of last resort, he intended to dispute the regularity of the notice to quit in other respects. He claimed that the tenant was not given particulars as to the exact reconstruction and also that the certificate from the Building Authority was not attached to the notice but only enclosed.

It was to these points that Mr. Potter objected and the second which he termed a "dreadful point." He had never heard it before and at the first hearing it had been agreed by both solicitors that the tenancy was in all other respects to that concerning the tenancy a perfectly regular one.

Mr. Alabaster was on his third point when the court adjourned until later in the day. He claimed that the Rents Ordinance was retrospective and had always been so. In the opinion of the Legislature the construction placed on the original Ordinance had been too favourable to the landlord and the successive amendments had been in favour of the tenants.

LATER. The Court decided against Mr. Alabaster. On the point of the attaching of the certificate from Building Authority but thought he was entitled to further hearing on the other point he had raised as to the validity of the notice.

KITE FLYING.

CHINESE BOY FALLS FROM ROOF.

The danger of becoming too enthusiastic over kite flying, a juvenile pastime which seems popular in Kowloon, was amply illustrated by an accident which occurred yesterday when a Chinese boy aged 15 tumbled from the roof of No. 7, Shanghai Street. He was picked up in an unconscious condition and removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

A BEGGAR'S OPERA.

A CELL SCENE AT THE POLICE STATION.

DOWN AND "OUT."

Some queer specimens of humanity were rounded up by the Police yesterday. They all passed under the category of "mendicants" and ten or a dozen of them were placed in a detention cell to await their trial before the magistrate.

There were fat ones, and thin ones, lean and slender; some with one leg, others who said they were blind and a host of other undesirable, and members of Canton's Beggar Guild.

Apparently there was some rivalry among the motley crew for according to the best informed argument started as to which of them had been arrested the most times.

An old and decrepit member of the party claimed the honour. A youth with less experience and one leg contested him. There was a general squabble, heated words, etc., and suddenly to bring an end to the dispute, the grandfather of the rabble grabbed hold of the younger man's crutches and struck him across the skull. The young man dropped like a log. Police were aroused and the victim moved on a stretcher to hospital.

Now there is a charge of assault pending.

BANK WATCHMAN.

ALLEGED THEFT OF KEYS AND WRIST WATCH.

An Indian watchman was charged at the Central Magistracy this morning with the theft of certain keys and a wrist watch.

The watchman pleaded not guilty and applied for an adjournment in order to enable him to obtain legal assistance.

A police officer said he saw the watchman in the act of opening a drawer with the keys.

The case was adjourned until to-morrow.

WORLD FLIGHTS.

AMERICANS LEFT TOURANE.

Mr. W. H. Gale, the American Consul General, has received a cablegram from the American fliers stating that the new engine had arrived from Saigon and that the aviators hoped to leave Tourane at 5 a.m. this morning.

MACLAREN'S PLANE ARRIVED. The new "plane" from Tokio reached MacLaren on Friday according to a cablegram received by the American Consul General this morning from the captain of the "William B. Preston" which took the plane from Hongkong.

When the machine is assembled MacLaren should, given good weather conditions, be in Hongkong in six or seven days, the distance being 21,500 miles.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per P. M. s.s. "Pisa Lincoln" on June 15.—Mr. Elmer Alamy, Mr. J. B. Jia, Mr. R. C. Darrido, Major E. Carrion, Messrs. Engenio, Norme, Matone, Gypnas, Jose Hilario Lum Seau, Mr. and Mrs. Rufino Martinez, Messrs. E. Maurice, Domingo Ponce, Cornelio Forras, Tan Chan Ngon, Mrs. Esther Wolfson, Messrs. Wong Yu, D. H. Wright and Jesse Salazar.

A *Daily Bulletin* cable from Shanghai states that the "Glen Arroy" has been refloated and towed to Beal Island and beached.

For failing to exhibit the regulation light the master of a cargo boat was fined \$5 at the Marine Court this morning. At the same court two masters of boats were fined \$5 for using grappling irons for lifting articles from the bed of the harbour.

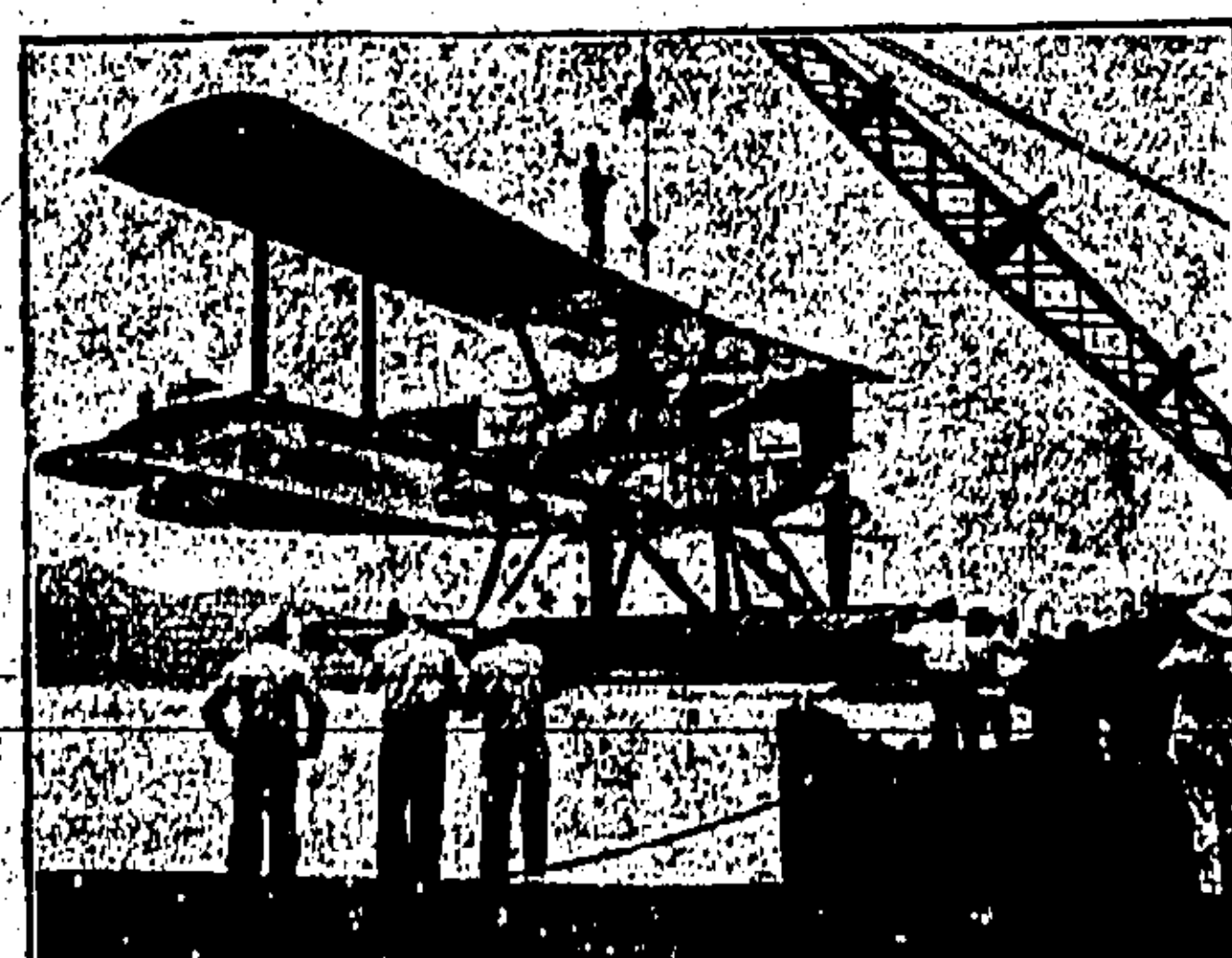


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Another view of Lieut. Smith's plane being repaired here prior to the flight to Indo-China.

LANDLORD'S VIEW.

WORKING OF THE NEW ORDINANCE.

IS "DELAY" NECESSARY?

Following our article last Friday in connection with that aspect of the Rents Amendment Ordinance 1924, which governs the appeal of house owners to the Governor for permission to reconstruct, we have received details of another application the basic points of which are given below.

The *China Mail* dealt with the procedure which is best explained in the words of the Attorney-General when the Bill came before the Council. In explaining its purport the Attorney-General said, *inter alia*, "That wider discretion is given in order that the Governor-in-Council may be able to allow reconstruction in special cases, such as the further development and laying out of a whole block of buildings which may very well be desirable in the public interests even though the houses in the block may be in such a condition that they can stand for a considerable time."

"Further development and laying out" and "desirable in the public interests" bear very wide constructions and it is only natural that landlords will not see eye to eye with tenants or even with the Government. The details given below merely instance what one owner thinks would undoubtedly fit the category. What strikes the *China Mail* is not so much the interpretation of the words referred to but the time that elapses before a reply is made. From a business standpoint it seems that the interval is rather long although there may have been good reasons for what has been described as delay.

Significant Dates. On April 24, the owner in question sent in an appeal to the Governor after the Building Authority had refused to issue a certificate that the proposed reconstruction was desirable, this being necessary according to the Ordinance. A week later, on May 1 to be precise, the usual form of acknowledgment was received from the Colonial Secretary's Office to the effect that the appeal "was receiving consideration." Nothing further was intimated until June 14 when a letter dated June 6 was received by the owner stating that the Building Authority's decision had been upheld.

Road Widening Scheme. Grounds on which the owner thought his projected reconstruction would be approved, are as follows:—

An area in front of the premises is required by the Government for the purpose of widening the road which gives access to the property and the Land Office had, so it is stated, called upon the owner to surrender that lot in accordance with agreement.

Plans for demolishing the building (of three storeys) and reconstructing a four storey-house instead, were approved before March 5, the date of the Amendment (or demolition) Ordinance.

Before the Bill was passed an application had been made for a "new building certificate," which was all that was required at the time, but the owner was not notified that such a certificate would be issued till over a month after his plans had been sent in, and in the meantime the new law had come into effect.

"SEISTAN" SAFE.

After being ashore for 48 hours the s.s. "Seistan" was refloated at high tide at 4.50 a.m. yesterday and returned to Hongkong under her own steam. After anchoring off Stonecutters while the livestock cargo was taken off, the ship was towed to Kowloon Dock.

No. 1 hold is the only one that has held water and after the examination of the dock diver the owners (Messrs. H. M. H. Nemazee) announced that the vessel would in all probability remain in dock for a few days only.

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FELLING TREES IN WONG NEI CHONG ROAD.

Six Chinese women appeared before Mr. C. D. McKinnon at the Central Magistracy this morning charged with unlawfully cutting trees in Wong Nei Chong Gap.

After they had been discharged with a caution, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe said he thought that the facts of the case had not been brought to light. He thought it had not been mentioned that he saw a woman going down the hillside with the trunk of a freshly cut tree in her hands. That particular neighbourhood was being absolutely denuded of trees.

The Magistrate replied that the branches produced in Court appeared to be dead. He would, however, bear the C. S. P.'s remarks in mind.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

WATERWORKS COOLIE HELD UP.

A coolie employed at the Tai Tam Tuk pumping station reports to the Police that while on his way to Shauiwan accompanied by a foki, he was robbed by two highwaymen, one of whom threatened him with a revolver.

The coolie states that when nearing the Chai Wan gap on Stanley Road, two men suddenly rushed out from the bushes and held them up. He was searched while a revolver was being pointed at his head and \$25 was taken from him. His foki was not molested.

The robbers made off up the hillside in the direction of the Tai Koo Summer Quarters on Mount Parker.

CRUELTY TO DUCKS.

NINETY IN A SINGLE CRATE.

A Chinese hawkier appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning charged with causing cruelty to ducks. He was fined \$10 by Mr. E. W. Hamilton.

According to Police evidence, the hawkier had over ninety live ducks in one crate.

NEW CHAIRMAN.

HONGKONG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

MR. J. OWEN HUGHES ELECTED.

Mr. J. Owen Hughes of Messrs. Harry Wicking & Co. has been elected as Chairman of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce in succession to Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.) who has gone on leave.

Mr. N. L. Watson (Asiatic Petroleum Co.), the Chamber's vice-chairman, has also proceeded on leave and Mr. G. M. Young (Messrs. Butterfield & Swire) has been elected to serve in his stead.

To fill vacancies through departure on leave, Mr. A. H. Barlow (Hongkong Bank), Mr. B. D. F. Beith (Messrs. Jardine's) and Mr. W. H. Bell (A.P.C.), have joined the general committee of the Chamber.

ALLEGED BRIBERY.

CHINESE STUDENT CHARGED AT KOWLOON.

A Chinese student who it is alleged attempted to bribe an Indian policeman with \$1, appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

From the evidence it appears there was a fight between several coolies in Kowloon City Road yesterday and when the student interposed he was told by a constable to move on and then when the constable arrested him for obstruction he offered a bribe of \$1.

Mr. Nash appeared for the defence. The case was adjourned until this afternoon.

TWO BOYS DROWNED.

DISAPPEAR IN POND NEAR HOSPITAL.

Two Chinese boys aged ten and eleven years, respectively, were drowned while bathing in a pond near the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday.

The boys, it is reported to the Police, disappeared suddenly in a pond at the rear of West View Buildings.

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"KARMALA"	5,686	12th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	12th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DEVANHA"	5,092	29th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SANTITA"	5,613	29th Aug.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"NAGAYA"	10,902	29th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SARDINIA"	5,684	30th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	5,118	4th Sept.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"KASAR-I-HIND"	11,430	29th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	5,092	4th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	5,092	1st Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	15th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KARMALA"	5,686	15th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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"ARAFURA"	6,000	2nd July	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday
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BRITISH FASCISTS.

BECOMING A SEDITIONARY BODY.

LAW OFFICERS' INQUIRY.

The Solicitor-General, Sir H. Slessor, speaking at a Labour demonstration at Leeds, said that some of the less enlightened Conservatives were calling themselves British Fascists and wearing black shirts and badges bearing the initials "B.F." (Laughter).

A Voice: Tell us what the initials mean? (Renewed laughter).

The Solicitor-General continued:

"The Crown Law Officers are considering the position of the British Fascists. We are not sure that they may not develop into a highly seditious and dangerous organisation."

"We cannot afford to speak flippantly of Continental reactionary movements. They are sinister things and may have a reaction in Britain."

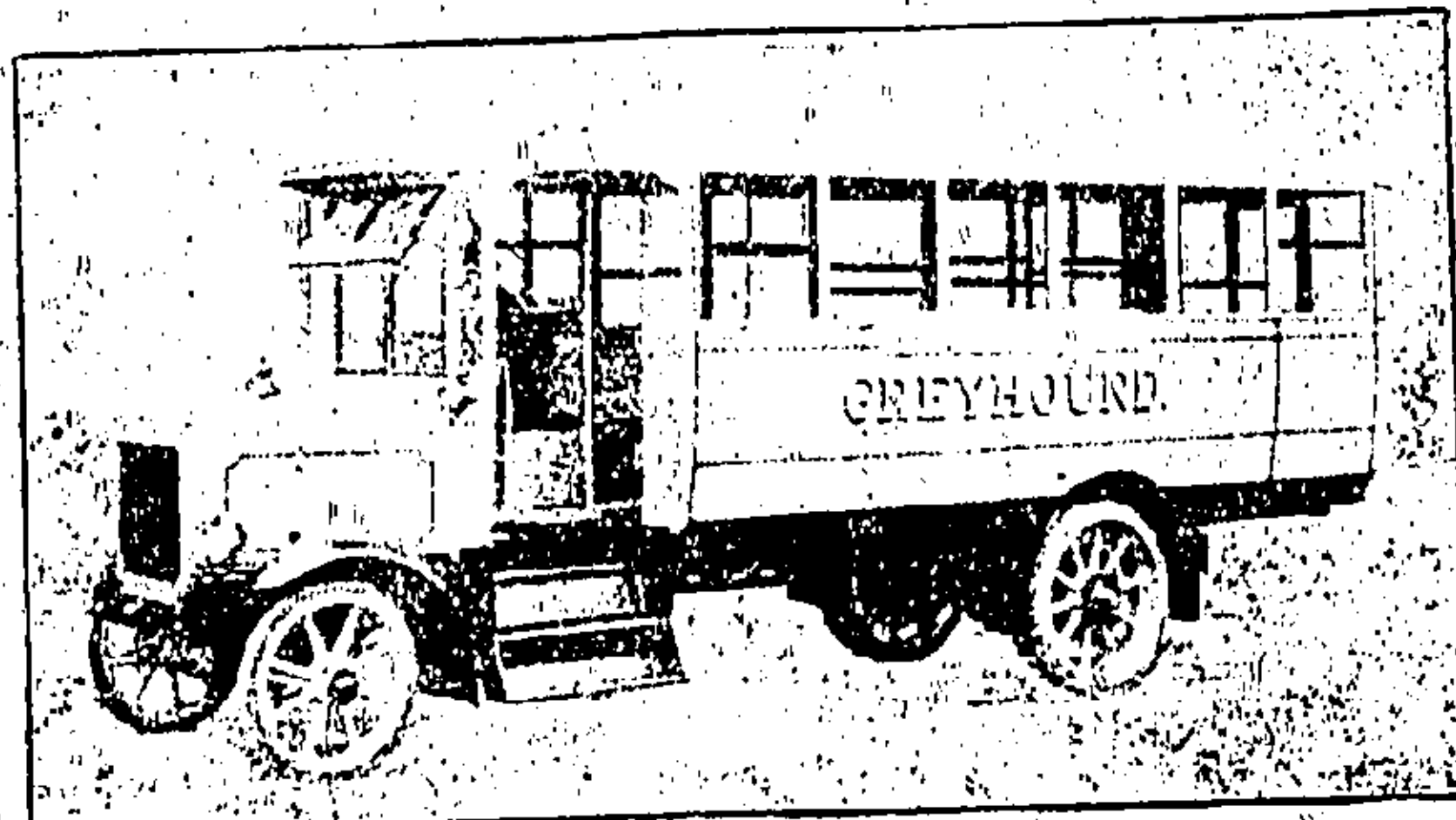
Signor Mussolini headed a procession of thousands of people to the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, says a message from Rome, to contribute funds to erect a monument at Florence commemorating the heroism with which Italian mothers fostered the fighting spirit of

the troops while their sons were dying at the front.

The British Fascist Society was formed on the model of the Italian Fascist, who began a revolutionary movement against the alleged inactivity of Italian statesmen after the war. The leader of the Fascist, Signor Mussolini, is now Prime Minister of Italy, and the organisation controls the country. The Italian Fascists wear a black shirt, and the name is derived from "fascio," or band, in which the movement was organised.

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SHANGHAI via SWATOW	WAISHING	Fri., 20th June, 10 a.m.
TIENTSIN	CHONGSHING	Sat., 21st June, Noon
MANILA via AMOY	SUNSHANG	Sat., 21st June, 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	LEESANG	Sun., 22nd June, 6 a.m.
TAIPEI via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	LOKSANG	Wed., 25th June, 10 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	CHONGSANG	Sat., 28th June, 9 a.m.
MANILA	KUENSANG	Sat., 28th June, 11 a.m.
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SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	Wed., 2nd July, 1 p.m.

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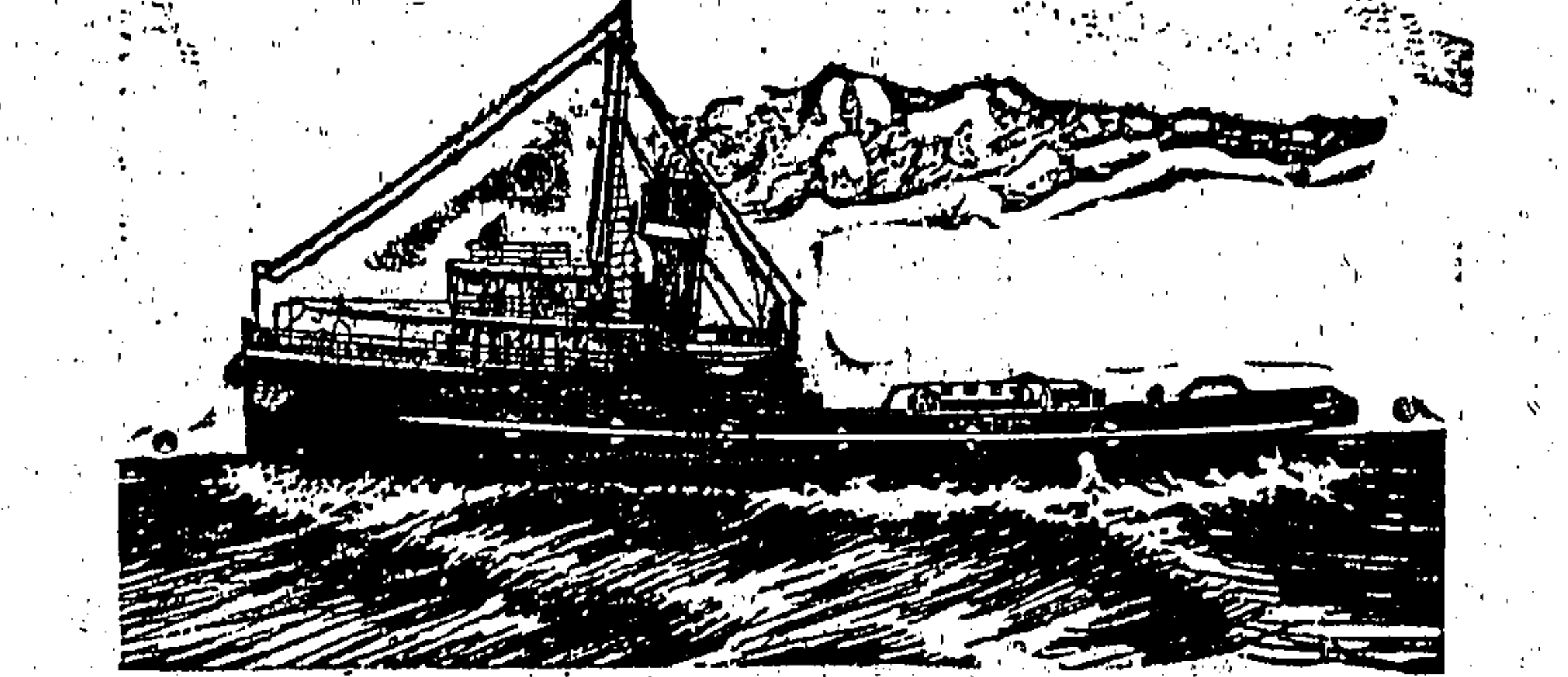
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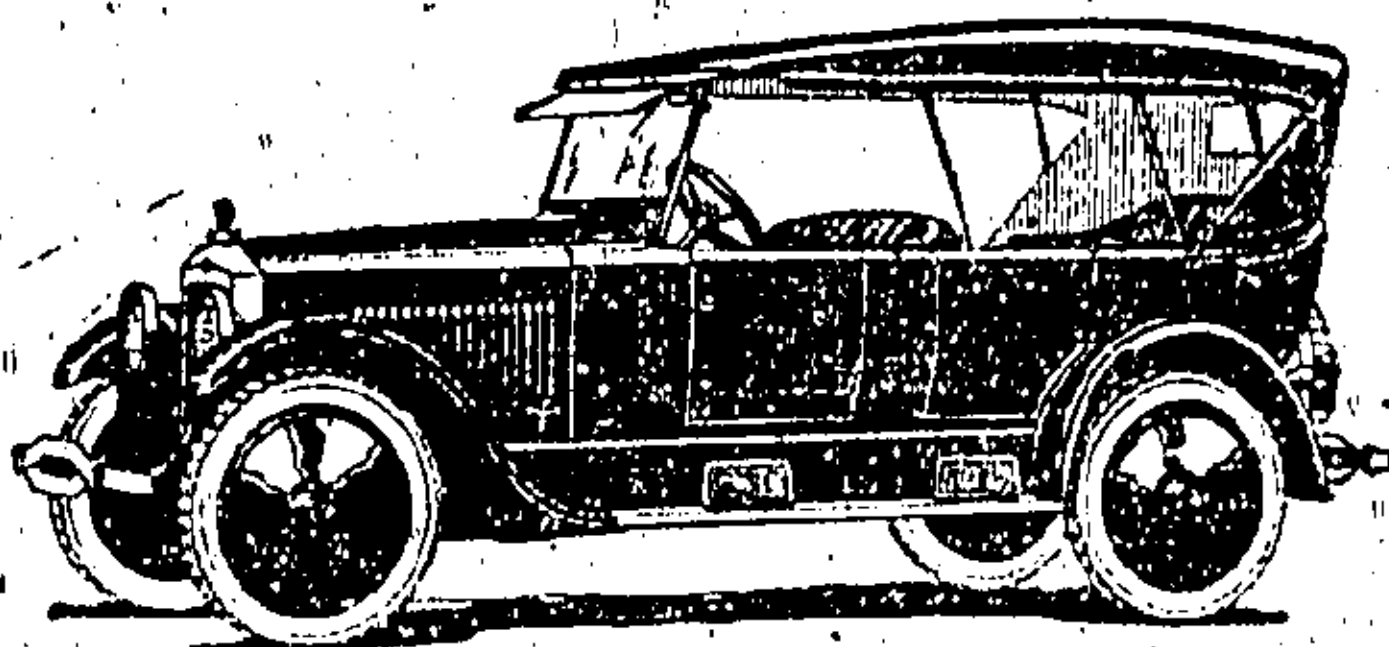
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PUBLIC OPINION. NEW PRESIDENT PRAISED.

PARIS, June 14.
The papers express deep satisfaction at the election of M. Doumergue and emphasize his patriotism, impartiality, sound judgment and moderation.
The election of M. Doumergue is warmly received by the newspapers, which express satisfaction that the Versailles Congress has chosen a good Frenchman and a good Republican to preside over the destinies of the country, and unanimously attribute to him the virtues of equanimity and judgment.

Le Matin declares that the political storms of yesterday will become, under M. Doumergue, only distant memories.

Le Journal emphasises that the majority preferred an arbitrator who has proved his impartiality and manifested a desire for the maintenance of France's Treaty rights. The Figaro regards election as a victory for political morality.

Berlin, June 14.
The newspapers consider the election of M. Doumergue a severe blow to M. Herriot and his supporters and not a very good omen for the prospects of M. Herriot's Government, which, some are of the opinion, a Briand cabinet will soon supplant.

MORE "KULTUR."

GERMAN "FREEDOM AND VENGEANCE."

BERLIN, June 15.
The ex-Crown Prince and numerous other Princes and ex-Generals in full dress uniform attended the unveiling of the Potsdam War memorial to eight thousand officers and men of the First Foot Guards. The ex-Crown Prince took the salute at a march past of ex-members of the regiment and Reichswehr troops. Count Eulenburg, the last regimental Colonel, concluded with a speech "May this memorial be a milestone on the road to freedom and vengeance."—Reuter.

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BIG CRICKET. ENGLAND v. SOUTH AFRICA.

RESULTS OF FIRST DAY'S PLAY.

LONDON, June 14.

At Edgbaston, the first Test Match commenced in glorious and cloudless weather before 4,000 spectators. The wicket had recovered from the long spell of rain.

Taylor won the toss and sent England in. The South Africans included the recently-discovered fast bowler, Parker, who was born in South Africa but who is playing in the Bradford League.

When play was stopped for lunch, England's score was 122 for no wicket.

Score:—
J. B. Hobbs (Surrey) not out 57.
H. Sutcliffe (Yorks.) not out 61.
Extras 4. Total 122.

By tea-time the crowd had swelled to twelve thousand and England's total stood at 291 for 4 wickets. Score:—

Sutcliffe, b. Parker, 64. (Sutcliffe hit a six and 6 fours.)
Hobbs, l.b.w., Blanckenberg, 70 (Hobbs played a typically excellent innings. He did not give a chance and hit 7 fours.)

F. E. Woolley (Kent) c Ward, b. Parker 64.
E. Hendren (Middlesex) 44 not out.

Mr. A. P. F. Chapman (Cantab and Berkshire), b. Parker, 8.
Mr. F. G. H. Fender (Surrey) 24 not out.

Extras 11. Total 291 for 4 wickets.

When stumps were drawn, England's score had reached 398 for 7 wickets. Score:—

Hendren, c. Nourse, b. Parker 74.
(Hendren hit a five and 6 fours.)
Fender, c. Taylor, b. Blanckenberg 36.

R. Kilner (Yorks.) 40 not out.
M. W. Tate (Sussex) c Taylor, b. Parker 19.

Mr. A. E. R. Gilligan (Sussex) 4 not out.
Extras 13. Total 398 for 7 wickets.

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TERRIBLE DISASTER.

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June 14.

Great havoc was wrought in the vicinity here by a cloudburst which according to telephonic reports, destroyed the towns of Carden's Bluff and Hunter, with considerable loss of life. It is estimated that sixteen people have been killed. Several other villages are inundated and many farm-houses razed.—Reuter's American Service.



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What To Do When The Stomach Rebels Against Food.

Almost everybody experiences times when the organs of digestion show painful signs of weakness. Some slight disturbances of health start the trouble; then the sufferer turns against food, and dull heavy pains in the abdomen give warning that the stomach is no longer able to perform its proper work. Some times a false craving for food arises; if satisfied the result is additional torture. Flatulence, a drowsy depression, sick headaches and nausea are other signs of indigestion.

The foolish practice of seeking relief in strong weakening purgatives at such times should be avoided. The only effective method of remedy for this debilitated state is to strengthen the feeble organs of digestion by supplying them with richer, better blood, so that they may be given renewed strength to perform their work. This is the true tonic treatment for indigestion, by which natural method Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have in great numbers of cases achieved splendid results.

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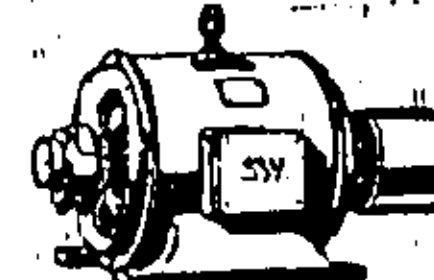
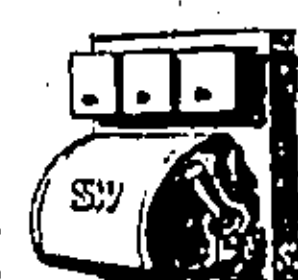
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LEAGUE TENNIS.

FULL RESULTS OF WEEK-ENDS FIXTURES.

The results of the league tennis matches played on Saturday were as follow:—

2ND DIVISION.

K.C.C. (A) v. H.K.C.C.

Mason and Wheeler lost to Armstrong and Mitchell beat Bourne and More..... 5-6
beat Mackenzie and Lammer..... 7-4
Ramsey and Hyde beat Armstrong and Mitchell..... 6-5
beat Bourne and More..... 6-5
lost to Mackenzie and Lammer..... 4-7
Jack and Green lost to Armstrong and Mitchell..... 4-7
beat Bourne and More..... 6-5
beat Mackenzie and Lammer..... 6-5

K.C.C. (B) v. UNIVERSITY.

Le Cot and Quivercourt lost to Peterson and Hachima..... 5-6
beat Balhatchet and Wong..... 6-5
lost to Hung and Ng..... 5-6
Petheram and Hewer beat Peterson and Hachima..... 6-5
lost to Balhatchet and Wong..... 4-7
Wong Hung and Ng..... 4-7
Bishop and Woodward beat Peterson and Hachima..... 7-4
beat Balhatchet and Wong..... 6-5
beat Hung and Ng..... 5-6

I.R.C. (A) v. C.C.C. (B).

Playing at home the I.R.C. (A) beat the C.C.C. (B) by 85 games to 14.

Scores:—
O. Ismail and I. A. Razdek, defeated Hyde and Xavier 11-0, defeated Souza and Abbas 11-0.
S. A. R. Ismail and J. S. A. Curem, defeated Hyde and Xavier 9-2, defeated Modi and Basa 8-3, defeated Souza and Abbas 10-1.
S. A. Hussain and J. A. Wahab, defeated Hyde and Xavier 11-0, defeated Modi and Basa 8-3, defeated Souza and Abbas 9-2.

C.S.C.C. v. de RECREIC.

The C.S.C.C. won by one game—
White and Hollidge lost to Osmund and Remedios..... 4-7
defeated Noronha and Ribeiro..... 6-5
lost to Osmund and Remedios..... 5-6
Luck and Shepherd defeated Osmund and Remedios..... 6-5
defeated Noronha and Ribeiro..... 6-5
lost to Osmund and Remedios..... 4-7
Beat and Gillof defeated Osmund and Remedios..... 7-4
defeated Noronha and Ribeiro..... 7-4
lost to Osmund and Remedios..... 5-6

C.S.C. v. U.S.R.C.

The only match in the first division resulted in a victory for the Chinese R.C. over the United Service R.C.
Ng Kam-chuen and Choy Ping-fan defeated Lindell and Chippendale..... 6-5
lost to Henslowe and Goule..... 9-2
Wei Kim-ying defeated Lindell and Chippendale..... 6-5
lost to Newton and Smith..... 4-7
lost to Henslowe and Goule..... 5-6
R. Chang and Choy Ping-fan defeated Lindell and Chippendale..... 8-3
defeated Newton and Smith..... 7-4
lost to Henslowe and Goule..... 4-7

HOME GOLF.

DUNCAN WINS BIG TOURNEY.

LONDON, June 14. At Gleneagles in the Glasgow Herald thousand guineas professional tournament final George Duncan (Hanger Hill) beat Abe Mitchell (North Foreland) by eight up and seven to play.
In fine weather and before an enormous crowd Duncan was irresistible, the epitome of confidence as well being astoundingly accurate. He won three of the first five holes and turned five up, which led to the first hole. He became even up at the fourth and then domineered to the end.
This is a record defeat for Mitchell.

MEDICAL CONFERENCE.

HONGKONG AS A CENTRE OF INTEREST.

LEADING SCIENTISTS COMING.

Early next year a Conference is to be held which for a week, at any rate, will make Hongkong the centre of interest in the medical profession and which is bound to give an impetus to medical work in China.

It will be a joint conference between the Hongkong and China branch of the British Medical Association and the China Medical Missionary Association and as it is the first of its kind efforts are being made to secure lectures by leading authorities of Britain, America, India and the Straits Settlements on surgery, tropical diseases, public health, anthropology, etc.

A fund has been started by the British Medical Association branch to meet the expenses of the distinguished guests and many Chinese practitioners have contributed.

It is hoped that the Conference will give great encouragement to scientific medicine in China and it will certainly enable them to convey information as to the latest methods in medical and surgical practice to the medical practitioners of China whose sphere of work insulates them from contact with the work being done in the great centres of the West, but on whose shoulders lies the responsibility for scientific medical advance in the huge country of China.

The Council of the University has granted the use of the University Buildings for the Conference, which will be held from January 21 to January 28, 1925, and will include an exhibition of instruments, drugs, medical publications, food materials, apparatus used in hospitals, etc., in which the leading firms of the world concerned with these matters are manifesting great interest.
Accommodation is being found for members of the Conference in the houses of residents; many will also be accommodated in the University hostels for the week chosen for the Conference coincides with the China New Year vacation at the University. The authorities of the Helena May Institute have extended an invitation to wives of members and to women members of the medical profession to avail themselves of the facilities of the Institute during their stay.

GIRLS' EDUCATION.

PLANS UNDER WAY.

Plans are under way for a union of the Y. W. C. A. Normal School of Hygiene and Physical Education, Shanghai, with Ginling College, Nanking, and it is expected that the arrangement will be completed so that the School will move up to Ginling before the opening of next year's work.

Miss Norah Parkes Jervis, Principal of the School, Miss Chang Hwei-lan and Dr. Bessie Coffin go with the Senior class and join with the Ginling faculty until the amalgamation is effected. This change is made because of the increasing need for academic education in addition to the technical training given in the present two years' course at the Normal School if the teachers of physical education and hygiene are to meet China's needs adequately in their profession.

During the eight years of the School's existence, eighty girls have been graduated and are teaching in Government and Mission Schools all over China. The commencement exercises and a demonstration will be held in the school garden, Shanghai, on June 18. There are fourteen girls in this year's class. Miss Shi Kwok-ying, previously associated on the staff of the local Y. W. C. A. is at present a student in this Normal Physical School in Shanghai.

BASEBALL RESULTS.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

NEW YORK, June 15.
New York, 9; Detroit, 0.
Philadelphia, 7; Chicago, 6.
Boston, 8; Cleveland, 3.
Washington, 6; St. Louis, 4.
Detroit, 2; New York, 6.
Chicago, 10; Philadelphia, 3.
Cleveland, 3; Boston, 2.
St. Louis, 3; Washington, 7.
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Brooklyn, 3; St. Louis, 8.
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New York, 8; Cincinnati, 6.
Brooklyn, 5; St. Louis, 2.
Philadelphia, 3; Pittsburgh, 1.
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LAWN BOWLS.

FOUR MATCHES PLAYED ON SATURDAY.

The Hongkong lawn bowls season got into swing on Saturday when out of six matches scheduled four were played.

RESULTS WERE AS FOLLOW:—

FIRST DIVISION.

K.C.C. C.S.C.C.
Abraham Hall..... 23
Davis Gregory.....
Tachi Grimmett.....
Brown (Skip) 16 Hill (Skip) 23
Cornley Oswick.....
Howe Smith.....
Overy Knight.....
Gibson (skip) 24 Hill (skip) 29
Hunter Cullip.....
Lammer Keegan.....
Goldenberg Allen.....
Hyde (Skip) 24 Duncan (skip) 22

TAIKOO R.C. v. POLICE R.C.

Played at Taikoo.
TAIKOO: POLICE.
Young Whant.....
Batenan Murphy.....
MacLachlan Holland.....
Hamilton (S) 26 Clark (S) 16
Russell Clark.....
Whyte Sword.....
Drummond McLeod.....
Ferguson (S) 34 Reid (S) 14
Laing Wiltshire.....
McCubbin Glendenning.....
Wallace Grant.....
Wether- spoon (S) 26 Moss (S) 22

INDIAN R.C. v. KOWLOON C.C.

The results of the second division matches at Sookin-poo were:—
INDIAN R.C. KOWLOON C.C.
Rumjahn Herridge.....
Ismail Fraser.....
Hartam Heathcote.....
Ismail (S) 19 Ramsay (S) 19
el Arculli Robson.....
E. Bux C. Labrum.....
Rani Burford.....
Rumjahn (S) 31 Davidson (S) 15
Espina Fletcher.....
Nazarin Harrison.....
Hartam Robinson.....
Omar (S) 25 Purves (S) 16

KOWLOON DOCK v. K.B.G.C.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club forfeited the points in the 2nd Division League Match against K. B. G. C. by failing to fulfil their engagement. The visitors could only master two players. A spoon game was played on a perfect green.
K.B.G.C. K.B.G.C.
Atkinson Simpson.....
Goodman Docherty.....
Punchoon Gourlay.....
Gow (S) 20 Johnston (S) 15
Culler McKinnon.....
Smyth McDougal.....
Keith Goodman.....
Gray (S) 21 Dixon (S) 15
Lindsay Punchoon.....
Russell Forsyth.....
Greig Coleman.....
McKelvie (S) 23 Hamilton (S) 17

Fixtures between the Kowloon B. G. C. and Craigenower and between the Yacht Club and Taikoo were postponed owing to the wet state of the greens.

INTERPORT POLO.

SHANGHAI v. HONGKONG.

MATCH FIXED FOR SEPTEMBER.

Hongkong has issued a challenge for the Koswick Cup which, as many know, is presented for competition between Shanghai and Hongkong at polo. The trophy has been with the Northern port for years and it has now been decided that Hongkong is to have another try in the first week in September.

Unfortunately, Hongkong is at present short of polo ponies possessing the speed and stamina required in an interport match. In reply to an inquiry, Mr. McMichael sent the following cable to the hon. secretary of the Hongkong Polo Club:—"Splendid. Agree, of course, to lending you four ponies."

This very sporting action by Shanghai has helped to solve the difficulty but Hongkong will need to bring four mounts to make up the required number. Lady Severn has offered to lend her race ponies Langst and Duku if they can be trained in time. Owners of race ponies suitable for polo are asked to help and ponies can be tried out by arrangement with the Polo Club.
Captain Neville, Lieut. Davies and others including Lieut. Commander Fleming, Lieut. Cobbold, Mr. Judd and Mr. Palmer are likely to be chosen to fill the four places on the Hongkong team.

BANQUET INCIDENT.

CHINESE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES TAXED.

"TALKING NONSENSE."

According to the People, an astonishing incident at the dinner given by the Chinese-British Corporation at Claridge's Hotel recently in honour of His Excellency Liang Shih-yi, ex-Premier of the Republic of China, and formerly Director-General of Chinese Railways, has caused a considerable sensation and much talk in diplomatic circles.

"There were 60 guests, with Mr. David Landale, Chairman of the Corporation, presiding, while the gathering included representatives of the Foreign Office and the highest City business interests.

"The Chinese Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Chu Chao-hsin, was present as a specially invited guest, and in his speech he laid stress on the advantages of railway construction in China.
"When he had finished, Sir James Jamieson, the British Consul-General at Canton, now on leave, arose, laid stress on the fact that he had not been called to speak either at the recent dinner of the Chinese students or at the Legation dinner in honour of his Excellency, and proceeded to attack the Chinese Charge d'Affaires directly. He intimated he was misleading the audience, knew little about his country's affairs and was talking nonsense—this being the actual expression used. The audience began to show signs of great uneasiness at the personalities used, and Sir James was induced to stop abruptly.

"The Chinese Charge d'Affaires showed great composure and after the dinner many came, it would seem, to him and shaking hands, asked him not to mind what Sir James had said. They expressed the view that it was at least impolite and improper for an acting British official thus to attack the representative of the country to which he was accredited, and they expressed a hope that the incident would not interfere with the friendly relations between the two countries."

Later in the House of Commons Mr. Maclean asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether it was intended to take any disciplinary action with regard to the speech made by His Majesty's Consul-General at Canton, in which he made a personal attack on the Chinese Charge d'Affaires.
Mr. Ponsonby replied that the occasion in question was, he was informed, a private one. He had been assured by Sir James Jamieson that it was far from his intention to make a personal attack, and that if he did unwittingly cause offence he could only express his regret. No complaint had been received.

Chicago, June 15.—In a daring train holdup in Illinois a million dollars in bonds and currency were stolen by bandits who overpowered the crew of a Chicago Milwaukee and St. Paul train near Roundout. The bandits uncoupled the locomotive and forced three mail cars. They seized forty mail pouches and escaped in a motor car. One of the gang was killed by a bullet from his companion's pistol.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Pedder Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 18th day of September, 1924, at noon for the purposes following namely:—

(a) To consider, and, if thought fit, approve the draft new Articles of Association of the Company which will be submitted to the Meeting and in the event of the approval thereof, with or without modification.

(b) To consider, and, if thought fit, to pass an Extraordinary Resolution to the effect:—
(1) That the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof, be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

A print of such draft new Articles and a print of the existing Articles of the Company may be seen at the Company's said Registered Office and at the office of Messrs. A. Deacons, 1, Des Voeux Road, Central, Victoria, aforesaid, Solicitors for the Company, and the portions of the proposed new Articles which differ from the existing Articles are indicated by underlining in red.

(c) To consider, and, if thought fit, to pass an Extraordinary Resolution to the effect:—
(2) That the name of the Company be changed to "China Sugar Refining Company, Limited."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Pedder Street aforesaid, on THURSDAY, the 3rd day of October, 1924, at noon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as Special Resolutions, the above mentioned Resolutions (Nos. 1 and 2).

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the said SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Pedder Street aforesaid, on MONDAY, the 20th day of October, 1924, at noon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting in so far as regards Resolution No. 3 above and of confirming, if thought fit, such Resolution as a Special Resolution. Dated this 16th day of June, 1924.
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PEAK CLUB.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting will be held at the Peak Club on Monday, 23rd June, 1924, at 6.30 p.m.

BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED.

(1) To adopt the Report and Accounts of the Club for the year ending 30th April, 1924.
(2) To elect General & Balloting Committees for the year 1924-25.
(3) To elect an Auditor or Auditors and to fix his or their remuneration.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club will be held at the same place immediately after the conclusion of the Yearly General Meeting of the Club to consider and if thought fit to pass the following resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

That Articles 21 and 22 of the Articles of Association of the Club be deleted and that the following Article be substituted therefor: "21. The subscription for a Resident member shall be Five Dollars per month payable on the first of each month in advance."

And Notice is hereby also given that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club will be held at the Club on Monday the 14th day of July, 1924, at 6.30 o'clock in the evening for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned Extraordinary General Meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a special resolution the above-mentioned resolution.

E. B. C. HORNELL.

Hon. Secretary.

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WEATHER REPORT.

June 16d. 10h. 34m.—Pressure has increased moderately at Chefoo, and decreased moderately from Shanghai to Naha; other changes are slight. The anticyclone is now central to Korea and the depression remains over Indo-China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.0 inch. Total since January 1st, 33.31 inches, against an average of 31.83 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on June 17, 1924.

1.—Fornosa Channel, S.E. winds, moderate; fair to showery.

2.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamma, S.E. winds, moderate; fair to showery.

3.—Hour Kong to Star Buoys, S.E. winds, moderate; fair to showery.

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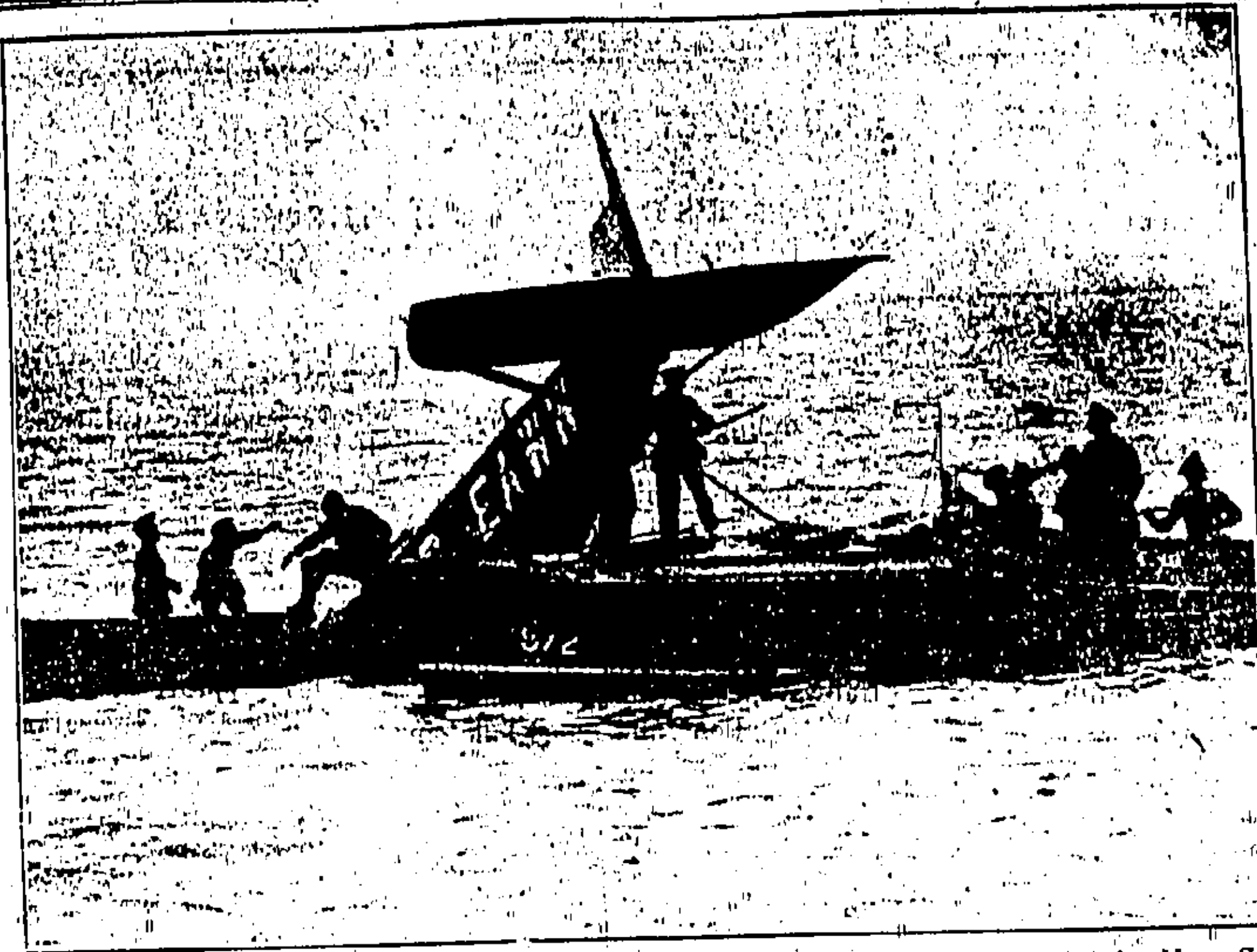


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Plane Dives Into The Sea.—The rotation test of the D.H. 18 aeroplane off Felixstowe to
see how long a plane would float after falling into the sea. Our photograph shows Flight Lieut.
Rea being rescued from the machine.



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